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TAGS: FR, MASS
SUBJECT: FRENCH NAVY PURCHASE OF MINESWEEPERS (U).

REFS: (A) MSG ODC PARIS 251619Z JAN 77; (B) SECDEF
022035Z FEB 77; (C) EMM/MAT/AI LTR. NO. 34 OF
10 MAR 77 (NOTAL)

1. (U) NOTWITHSTANDING FRENCH PLANS TO PURCHASE 7
MSOS, RELAYED BY REF A AND EARLIER CORRESPONDENCE,
AND APPROVED BY REF B, REF C NOW REQUESTS PURCHASE
OF ONLY TWO MSOS, COLMAR (AM 814) AND AUTUN (AM 502),
WHILE RETAINING THE OTHERS UNDER THE MAP AGREEMENT.

2. (LOU) UNOFFICIALLY, IT HAS BEEN INDICATED THAT FRN
HAS FOUND IT NECESSARY TO REALLOCATE MONIES WITHIN
ITS BUDGET, LEAVING INSUFFICIENT FUNDS TO FINANCE THE
PURCHASES AND UNDERTAKE MODERNIZATION AS ORIGINALLY
PLANNED. REASON GIVEN FOR PURCHASE OF TWO MSOS NOW
IS TO PROVIDE SOURCE FOR SPARE PARTS.

3. (U) ODC RECOMMENDS APPROVAL OF FRN REQUEST TO
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PURCHASE THE ABOVE NAMED MSOS, AT THE ORIGINALLY
APPROVED PRICE OF \$40M EACH, AS A PRIME SOURCE TO
OBTAIN INCREASINGLY HARD TO GET SPARES FOR THIS
CLASS.

4. (U) IF APPROVED, FRENCH MTA OFFICE IN WASHINGTON
WILL COMPLETE TRANSACTION.

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